as amended in committee of the whole house, entitled, An act to regulate sales by public auction, be referred to the first day of

The speaker having left the chair, at his request it was oc-

cupied by Mr. Norris.

And, after further debate, the question was propounded on the motion of Mr. Barnes, That the further consideration of said bill be referred to the first day of June next? And it was determined in the negative. The yeas being 17, and the nays 42.

Mr. Barnes then offered the following amendment, as addi-

tional sections, to be inserted at the end of the bill, viz.

And be it enacted, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars, be and hereby is appropriated annually to the decpening and clearing the harbour of Baltimore, to be applied under the direction of the mayor and city council of Balti-

And be it enacted, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised and required, to pay to the order of the mayor of Baltimore, in quarter yearly payments, the sum of thirty thousand dollars, as above appropriated.

Which was twice read,

When further debate arose.

And on the motion of Mr. Tyson.

The house then adjourned until this evening six o'clock.

SIX O'CLOCK, P. M. FRIDAY, March 2d, 1827.

The house met, pursuant to adjournment. Were present the same members as in the morning.

Petitions and memorials, of the following titles, were present-

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By Mr. Ridgely, the petition of the commissioners of the Cumberland Bank, of Allegany county, praying the passage of an act allowing them additional compensation for their services; referred to Messrs. Ridgely, Armstrong and Shaw.

By Mr. Du Val, the petition of sundry citizens of Bladensburgh, praying for the repeal of a law, passed during the present session, prohibiting the removal of sand from the eastern branch of the Potomac river; referred to Messrs. Beall, Peach, Du Val

and Gantt.

By Mr. Saulsbury, the petition of sundry citizens of Caroline county, praying the passage of an act authorising the judges of elections in said county to close the polls of elections hereafter to be held therein, at 5 instead of 6 o'clock P. M.; referred to the standing committee on elections and privileges; also,

By Mr. Saulsbury, the counter memorial of sundry citizens of Caroline county, praying that the divisional line between the middle and lower election districts of said county, may not be altered; referred to the committee to whom was referred the pe-

tition to which it is counter.

Mr. Stevens chairman of the committee on lotteries, delivered